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LARGE FARES AT NEW FISH PIER

GOOD MOVE IN RIGHT DIRECTION

Cod Hold Low, But New Haddock Mount Up to \$5 Today.

Nine crafts were at the South Boston pier this morning. The best fares were those of schs. Mary P. Goulart with 110,000 pounds mixed fish; Jeanette, 100,000 pounds; Robert and Arthur, 90,000 pounds. Of the drifters those arriving are schs. W. H. Moody, 40,000 pounds; Tacoma, 32,000 pounds; Lucinda I. Lowell, 35,000 pounds; Margaret Dillon, 40,000 pounds.

Wholesale prices were \$2.75 to \$5 a hundred for haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75 for large cod, \$1.75 for market cod, \$1 to \$1.50 for hake, \$1.50 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 70,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 10,000 cusk, 1500 halibut.

Sch. Jeanette, 30,000 haddock, 55,000 cod, 15,000 cusk, 1000 halibut.

Sch. Robert and Arthur, 15,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 15,000 cusk.

Sch. Natalie B. Nelson, 8000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Louisa R. Silva, 6000 haddock, 2,000 cod, 2500 pollock.

Sch. W. H. Moody, 6000 haddock, 24,000 cod, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Tacoma, 2000 haddock, 30,000 cod.

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, 1500 haddock, 32,000 cod.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 2000 haddock, 24,000 cod, 4000 pollock.

Haddock \$2.75 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod \$2.50 to \$2.75; market cod \$1.75; hake \$1 to \$1.50; pollock \$1.50; halibut, 12 cents and 6 cents per lb.

SCH. BRADLEY IS HEARD FROM

Sch. John R. Bradley, Capt. Domestice Arsenault, which went with the sealing fleet to the North has been heard from, having reported at one of the Newfoundland ports a few days ago on her way to St. John's. Like others of the fleet, the Bradley has done little or nothing, the season having been a failure.

Androscoggin With the Fleet.

The United States hospital Steamer Androscoggin, of Portland was in Port this week. She accompanies the U. S. fishing vessels keeping in close touch with them for the purpose of rendering assistance to the sick and injured when in Ports which have no port physician the hospital medical services is available to any and all persons requiring their service.—Port Hawkesbury Journal-Bulletin, May 14

Boston Dealers Agitating for State Commissioner of Commercial Fisheries.

An agitation has been started among the wholesale fish dealers of Boston favoring the appointment of a State Commissioner for the commercial fisheries. The backers of the movement say that the fishing industry has not received sufficient attention from the Fish and Game Commission, while the Commonwealth is spending large sums on the development of game fishing.

Francis J. O'Hara of Winchester, one of the dealers on the large new Boston Fish Pier at South Boston, speaking of the matter, said: "I hope those associated with me in the fish business also hope, that when the Fish and Game Commission is reorganized, a man will be appointed to look after the commercial fisheries, or if no change is made a special commissioner will be appointed."

Bound Here with Fish.

Sch. Francis Willard left Grand Bank, N. F., yesterday, for Gloucester with 4,000 pounds salt bulk codfish and 900 barrels herring, for the Gorton-Pew Co.—St. John's, Herald, May 12.

Good Southern Stock.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Martin L. Welch, one of the auxiliary fleet of mackerel seiners of the Gorton-Pew Fisheries company fleet, on her southern trip stocked \$4249.81 and the crew shared \$85.38.

Spoken.

Capt. James Hudder of sch. Catherine Burke, arriving here yesterday, reports speaking sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney and sch. Rex, Capt. Augustus G. Hall, in the "Gully" recently.

Bait Reports.

Amherst Harbor, M. I., May 15—Plenty of herring at Etang du Nord; lots of bankers there; no herring reported anywhere else except some in nets at Grand Entry; scattered ice around yet.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Volant was at Mulgrave, N. S., Saturday on her way north. Some drift ice from the northward was reported.

Halibut Sales.

The halibut fare of sch. Catherine Burke sold yesterday afternoon to the New England Fish Company at 9 3-4 cents per pound for white and 7 3-4 cents for gray. The fares of sch. Rex and sch. Hattie L. Trask sold to the American Halibut Company this morning for 8 cents per pound for white and 6 cents for gray. The fare of sch. John Hays Hammond was unsold at noon.

Sealing Season Over.

The total catch of the seal fishery season, which came to a close Monday was estimated last night at only 46,894. Last year's total was 223,768. The inability of the steamers to reach the main herds because of adverse ice conditions this year is said to have caused a loss to vessel owners of a quarter of a million dollars.

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LAND HERRING AT THE FORT

Boats in This Noon and Others Reported on the Way.

On account of the poor fresh market at Boston yesterday, some of the trips were obliged to lay over their fares, which they brought here. They are schs. Lucinda I. Lowell, 25,000 pounds; Tacoma, 30,000 pounds; W. H. Moody, 30,000 pounds; Mary P. Goulart, 70,000 pounds; Jeanette, 100,000 pounds.

Some of the seiners landed herring at the Fort this noon, while others were reported coming with fares.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Tacoma, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. W. H. Moody, via Boston, 23,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Arthur James, seining.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, seining.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, seining.

Sch. Rob Roy, seining.

Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Medomak, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Evelyn H., gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quartette, gill netting, 1300 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Julia May, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Mary E. Harty, seining.

Sch. Jeanette, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Marguerite Haskins, seining, 7 bbls. small fresh mackerel.

Sch. Veda M. McKown, seining.

Sch. Adeline, via Boston.

Italian boat, seining, 60 bbls. fresh herring.

Str. Scola, seining, 75 bbls. fresh herring.

Str. Bessie A., seining, 80 bbls. fresh herring.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Cape Shore seining.

Sch. Fannie A. Smith, Cape Shore seining.

Sch. Saladin, Cape Shore, seining.

Sch. Mary E. Sennett, haddock.

Sch. Edith Silveria, haddock.

Sch. Manomet, Cape Shore netting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.75.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.

Drift codfish, large, \$4; medium, \$3.50.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.75.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.

Western cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.60; snappers, 75c.

Eastern cod, large, \$1.90; medium, \$1.50; snappers, 75c.

Drift codfish, large, \$2; medium, \$1.60.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.

Peak cod, \$1.80 for large; medium, \$1.40.

Hake, \$1.

Cusk, large, \$1.50; medium, \$1.10; snappers, 50c.

Shore pollock, round, 90c; dressed, \$1.

Fresh halibut 8c per lb. for white, 6c for gray.

Fresh herring, \$2.50 per bbl. for bait, \$2 to freeze; \$1.50 to salt.

GROUND FISH SCARCE TODAY

Two Little Boats at New Pier and Haddock Up to \$6.75.

Three arrivals reported at the Boston fish pier this morning, one with fresh mackerel and two from the shore. They were steamer Lois H. Corkum, 12,000 large and medium fresh mackerel, schs. Actor and Olivia Sears, 7500 and 4700 pounds of fresh codfish.

Yesterday afternoon four shore boats reported at the pier with small cod fares, and steamer Alice from pollock seining.

Wholesalers quoted \$6.75 a hundred for haddock, \$2.40 to \$2.75 for large and \$2 to \$2.50 for market cod, 75c to \$1.50 for hake, \$1.25 for pollock and \$1.50 for cusk.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

ARRIVALS AT BOSTON FISH PIER.

Sch. Actor, 7500 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 4700 cod.

Str. Alice, 13,000 pollock.

Sch. Laura Enos, 1300 cod.

Sch. Georgianna, 3000 cod.

Sch. Eva Avina, 2900 cod.

Sch. Marion, 2000 cod.

Str. Lois H. Corkum, 12,000 large and medium fresh mackerel.

Haddock, \$6.75; large cod, \$2.40 to \$2.75; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, 75c to \$1.50; pollock, \$1.25; cusk, \$1.50.

BIG STOCKS MARK SOUTH SEASON

**Sch. Arthur James High Line With
\$8854—Other Craft Also Score
Well—Few Fares at New York
and Newport Today.**

The majority of the southern fleet of seiners which will return here before going to the Cape Shore are now in port and the various wharves are scenes of activity, with the vessels making their supplies for the annual trip to the Cape Shore.

Those arriving since last report are sch. Arthur James, Capt. John Matheson; sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank Hall; sch. Rob Roy, Capt. Lemuel Firth; sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Capt. Ralph Webber; sch. Mary E. Harty, Capt. Ambrose Fleet; sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Cameron; sch. Veda M. McKown, Capt. Lewis Carritt.

Capt. Matheson High Line.

Sch. Arthur James, Capt. John Matheson, will be high line of the southern fleet with a stock of \$8854.24 from which the crew this morning received \$185.34 each.

This is the largest stock made south since 1902.

There has been a number of arguments and speculations recently as to the best stock ever made in the southern mackerel fishery. According to available records, the mark reached by Capt. Flar McKown in sch. Saladin, 14 years ago has never been excelled, as far as known.

The Saladin of the Cunningham & Thompson fleet, settled May 17, 1902, her stock being \$11,437.32, while each of the crew shared \$239.36 as a result of the spring cruise.

At the time of writing it is impossible to state which vessel will be in second place. Up to this morning it was conceded that sch. Saladin, Capt. Wallace Parsons, would have that honor with a stock, rising \$7000. The complete returns have not yet been received by the owners, so it is impossible to give exact figures.

The arrival of steamer Lois H. Corkum in Boston this morning with 12,000 large and medium mackerel, may give the little steamer second place. She has previously landed in New York a trip of 25,000 from which the stock was \$4400, followed a few days later by another trip of 15,000. The three trips together will probably give her a stock in the vicinity of \$8000.

It is interesting to note that last year sch. Arthur James then commanded by the late Capt. Archibald Doyne was also high line on the

southern trip with a stock of \$5677 while the Saladin, commanded by Capt. John Matheson was high line for the year with a stock of \$25,850. The Arthur James is one of the M. Walen & Sons fleet, while the Saladin is of the Cunningham & Thompson fleet.

Owing to the difficulty of getting all the returns in, the exact figures of stocks of the vessels now in port are not yet known. Sch. Monarch, Capt. John Seavy, settled yesterday afternoon, her stock being \$4500 and the share \$36.

According to the crews of the vessels, some of the approximate stocks are: Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Capt. Ralph Webber, \$6200; sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank Hall, \$6000.

Fleet Way Ahead of Last Year.

It is probable that the gross stocks of the five high liners of the southern fleet this year will total over \$36,000. Last year the total of the leading five was \$22,950, and the share \$490.

While not over seven or eight of the southern fleet last year had stocks over \$2000 this year 10 or 11 or about one-half the fleet will stock over that amount and the average stock will be far greater than in any spring for years.

The official stocks and shares will be given in the Times as soon as settlements are made at the firms.

Today's Market Fares.

Steamer Lois H. Corkum, Capt. William Corkum, arrived during the early forenoon at Boston today, landing 12,000 large and medium fresh mackerel, the second trip at Boston this season.

Capt. Corkum secured a nice price for his fish, wholesalers paying 30 cents each for large, 21 cents for medium and 16 cents for small.

At Newport.

At Newport this morning these netters were in:

Julia, 250 fresh mackerel.
Dixie Ben, 600 fresh mackerel.
Jessie D., 900 fresh mackerel.
A Portuguese craft, 400 fresh mackerel.

Few at New York.

Fresh mackerel receipts at New York this morning were extremely light, three netters being reported at Fulton dock. They were the Ethel Marion, 250 fresh mackerel; Monmouth, 500 fresh mackerel; Conquest, 100 fresh mackerel.

Landed at the Fort.

This morning, sch. Marguerite Haskins, Capt. Reuben Cameron, landed seven barrels small mackerel which sold to the firm of A. Cooney & Company by the pound. This is the second fresh fare to be landed here this season.

Mackerel Among Herring.

Capt. Walter Davis of Portland reports catching some fine mackerel last Saturday while pursuing herring off Monhegan. He surrounded the herring in good shape and when he hauled in found a number of fine mackerel in the catch.

PRINCE RUPERT SHADES PRICES

The Pacific Fisherman says:

After a considerable period devoted to negotiations and conferences the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., of Prince Rupert, B. C., on April 10 made its first definite offer to the halibut fishermen. The Prince Rupert company agrees to buy the halibut at market prices and to supply the halibut vessels with ice at \$3 a ton and frozen bait at \$25 a ton, and states that the prices in its general store have about the same average as at Ketchikan. The above is a considerable drop from the prices heretofore prevailing in Prince Rupert, and it is probable that they will be met by the Ketchikan companies, who are determined to hold as much of the business as they possibly can. The question of frozen bait does not interest the fleet just now as plenty of fresh bait is available, but it probably will become of importance about July.

Special Power Fishing Boats

The Japanese who have practically monopolized the local fishing industry, and who supply the Vancouver market with fresh cod fish, are accumulating a large fleet of gasoline power boats on the coast, many of which are equipped with expensive motors.

These gasoline launches, which play an important part in getting the fish fresh to market, are largely built by Japanese boat builders at Steveston, B. C. These boats ranging between 27 and 40 feet in length, are generally arranged with a small pilot house and cabin forward in which the engine is installed. In the larger ones there is also a small cabin in the stern with additional living quarters for the crew. A large part of the boat amidships is given up to fish wells which are separated from the cabin and engine room by water-tight bulkheads. The fish wells are in most cases kept flooded, the sea water having a free circulation through openings in the hull of the boat below water line. The cod as soon as caught are placed in the water in these wells to be kept alive, while in separate compartments supplies of small perch are also kept alive to be used as bait for the cod.—U. S. Consular Reports.

Portland Fish News.

The beam trawler Long Island at Portland, Tuesday, having about 600 pounds for the Burnham-Mo Co., the catch having been made in South Channel. The steamer she started out in the spring has landed the enormous amount of 1,000 pounds at the factory of the company.

Local fishermen are perplexed by the continued disappearance of ring along the coast after having been seen in many directions a fortnight ago. The steamer Elthier came Monday from a cruise extending to Bcon Island to Monhegan, the skipper not having seen a fish on the

Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. John H. Hammond sold this morning to New England Fish company for 4 cents per pound for white and 3 cents for gray.

Good Handline Stock.

Sch. Hattie L. Trask, Capt. Johnson, Georges handlining, on last trip stocked \$1899 and the line share was \$73.83.

Port aux Basques Weather.

Port aux Basques weather today: Temperature 40, cloudy; northwest, 40.7 miles.

Seattle Vessels at Prince Rupert.

On April, 27 three Seattle halibut fishing vessels—the Sitka, Liberty Tordenskjold—went into Prince Rupert for the purpose of selling catches. According to the Prince Rupert papers there were no buyers for the fish at first, but at last the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. consented to buy the cargoes, paying 4 cents a pound.—Pacific Fisherman

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BIG LANDINGS OF PACIFIC 'BU'

**Total of Month of April Was
Over Three Million
Pounds.**

The following figures as compiled by the Pacific Fishermen show the halibut landings of the Pacific coast in April:

HALIBUT LANDED AT PACIFIC COAST PORTS.

April, 1915.

Independent schooners at Seattle	2,602
Company vessels at Seattle	613
Regular steamers from Alaska	448
Arrivals at Prince Rupert, B. C.	718
Arrivals at Vancouver, B. C.	343
Arrivals at Steveston, B. C.	101
Arrivals at Victoria, B. C.	28
Total	3,052

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